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[54] **TRANSPARENT SWITCH HAVING FINE LINE CONDUCTORS**

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[57] **ABSTRACT**

A membrane switch assembly for mounting on a cathode ray tube is disclosed. The assembly is comprised of two layers of transparent film having spaced-apart parallel double hairline conductors deposited on the internal surfaces of both layers. The internal surfaces are separated by an insulating ultraviolet curable polymer spacer applied in parallel strips over the conductors, the spacer being discontinuous at the switch sites. The conductors cross and are normally spaced from each other at the switch sites so that when the switch is closed by applying force to bring the two layers of conductors together, the electrical circuit can be completed at any one of four locations. This ensures completion of the electrical circuit even if force has been applied at the outer edge of the switch site.

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